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Applicant : Benjamin C. Rivera Group Art Unit:
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Title : FOLDING MULTIPURPOSE TOOL WITH FLOATING SPRINGS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
IN ACCORDANCE WITH 37 CFR §1.98

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A list of the patents and publications submitted and identified is set forth on the attached 3 page(s) of Form PTO-1449 (Modified).

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d)(1), copies of the cited references are not enclosed with this submission. This application is a continuation of U.S. patent application Serial No. 10/062,759, filed January 30, 2002, which is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 09/703,369, filed October 31, 2000, whose priority is claimed in this application. If any of the references cannot be located, the Examiner is asked to contact the undersigned, and copies of the references not located will be provided.

The person making this statement is the attorney who signs below on the basis of the information supplied by the inventor and the information in his file.

Respectfully submitted,

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REFERENCE DESIGNATION
U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	345,296	Jul. 13, 1886	Friebertshauser			
	716,623	Dec. 23, 1902	Brouillette			
	1,046,361	Dec. 3, 1912	Wulff			
	1,179,111	Apr. 11, 1916	Knowlton			
	1,644,705	Oct. 11, 1927	Belcher			
	1,810,031	Jun. 16, 1933	Schrade			
	2,197,136	Apr. 16, 1940	Share et al.	30	160	
	2,250,290	Jul. 22, 1941	Berg	30	158	
	2,597,540	May 20, 1952	Smith	30	156	
	2,718,695	Sep. 27, 1955	Elsener	30	152	
	2,980,996	Apr. 25, 1961	Beran	30	157	
	3,832,775	Sep. 3, 1974	Stahel, II et al.	30	152	
	4,238,862	Dec. 16, 1980	Leatherman	7	128	
	4,302,877	Dec. 1, 1981	Hart et al.	30	161	
	4,347,665	Sep. 7, 1982	Glesser	30	161	
	4,512,051	Apr. 23, 1985	Magan	7	128	
	4,570,341	Feb. 18, 1986	Konneker	30	161	
	4,669,188	Jun. 2, 1987	Evrell	30	161	
	4,744,272	May 17, 1988	Leatherman	81	427	
	4,759,645	Jul 26, 1988	Kuo	384	396	
	4,805,303	Feb. 21, 1989	Gibbs	30	161	
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		6,006,385	Dec. 28, 1999	Kershaw et al.	7	129	
		6,014,787	Jan. 18, 2000	Rivera	7	128	
		6,092,444	Jul. 25, 2000	Hsiao	81	440	
		10/066,087		Rivera			Jan. 30, 2002
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		270,186	May 5, 1927	United Kingdom				
		947,703	Jan. 29, 1960	United Kingdom				
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OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

			RCE "Magnum" fish gripper, on sale at least as early as 1990, package and photographs.
			Folding scissors with chain, on sale at least as early as 1994, photographs.
			Fiskars, Inc. "Multi-Snip Tool Kit", August 1996.

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